### Welcome

#### **Light Rail Station Area Planning Meeting**









May 22, 2013





#### **Tonight:**

- Welcome and Introductions—Partner Activities
- Sound Transit Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS)
- Subarea Planning Process, Timeline, and Benefits
- Study Area Boundaries
- Questions, Answers, and Discussion
- Small Group Discussions in the Lobby



# Introductions: Partner Activities



June 20 – Study Session for Light Rail Station Study Area Boundaries

July 11 – Public Hearing on Study Area Boundaries



# Design Dialogue Workshops Fall 2013 Other Community Involvement Activities

# SOUNDTRANSIT RIDE THE WAVE

June – Release of DEIS

July 23 – Meeting/Hearing at Shoreline Center



Summer – Public Awareness Campaign and Visioning, Stakeholder Committee



July 11 – Korean Community Meeting

August 7 – Community Event for Folks of Modest Means

# Puget Sound Regional Council

Comment Period for Growing Transit Communities Strategy ends June 7



First Monday of the Month Meetings, City Hall Room 303, 7:30-8:30

# Potential Citizen Committee for 145<sup>th</sup> and 155<sup>th</sup> Station

More information at table in lobby following meeting

# **Sound Transit DEIS**





#### **Lynnwood Link Extension**

# Project Overview and DEIS Schedule May 22, 2013

## **Project Schedule**

June 2013: Publish DEIS

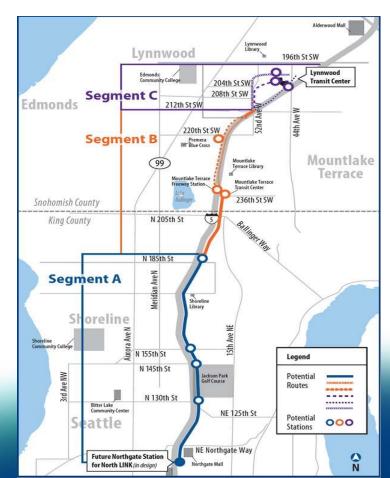
July 2013: Public Hearings

• Fall 2013: ST Board Identifies Preferred Alternative

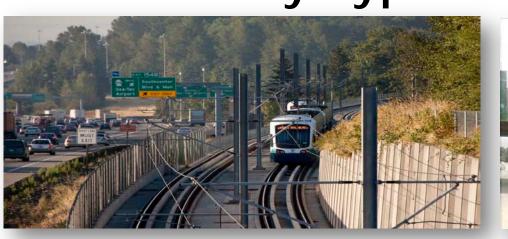


### **Development of Alternatives**

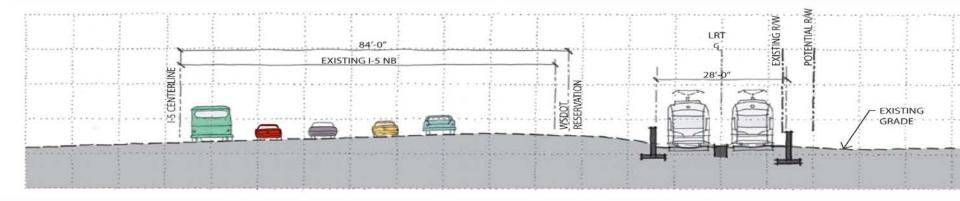
- December 2011
  - ST Board narrowed range of alternatives to consider in Draft EIS to I-5 light rail
- Winter 2012
  - ST developed conceptual I-5 alternatives
- April 2012
  - Board selected alternatives to advance in DEIS
- 2012-2013
  - DEIS analysis and conceptual design of alternatives



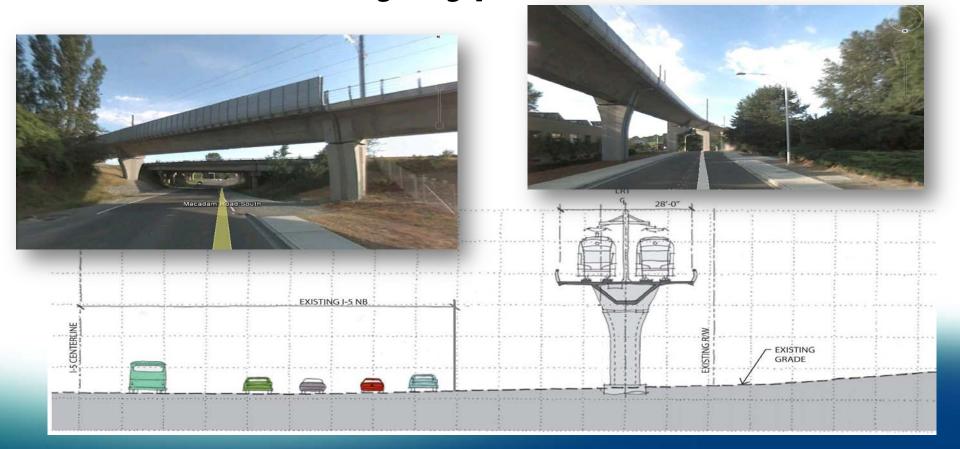
# Guideway Types: At-grade on Side



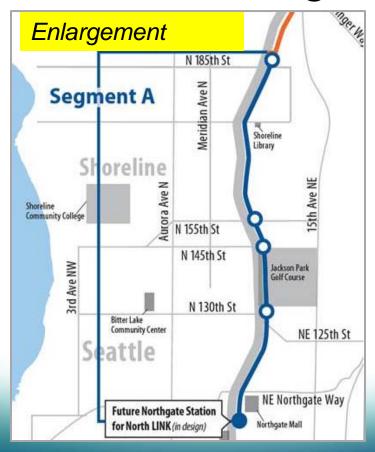




**Guideway Types: Elevated** 



# Stations & Alignments under consideration



#### Segment A station combinations:

- 1. 145<sup>th</sup> elevated and 185th at grade station
- 2. 145<sup>th</sup> elevated and 185<sup>th</sup> elevated
- 3. 130<sup>th</sup> at grade with 155<sup>th</sup> elevated and 185<sup>th</sup> at grade
- 4. 130th elevated with 155th elevated and 185th elevated
- 5. 130<sup>th</sup> at grade with 145<sup>th</sup> elevated and 185<sup>th</sup> at grade
- 6. 130th elevated with 145th elevated and 185th elevated

### Potential Station in Shoreline



#### NE 145<sup>th</sup> Station alternative\*

- Elevated station options northeast of I-5 and NE 145<sup>th</sup> interchange
- 500 to 650 stall parking garage
- Additional bus service
- Pedestrian and bike improvements

\* The NE 145<sup>th</sup> Station is either a stand alone station or coupled with station at NE 130<sup>th</sup> - dependent on the DEIS alternative

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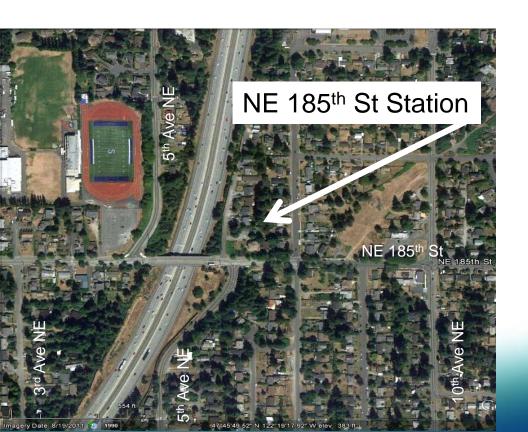


#### NE 155<sup>th</sup> Station alternative\*

- Elevated station between I-5 and the fire station
- 500 stall parking garage
- Pedestrian and bike improvements
- Additional bus service

\* The NE 155<sup>th</sup> Station is coupled with a station at NE 130th

### Potential Station in Shoreline



#### NE 185<sup>th</sup> Station

- At grade and elevated station options east of I-5
- One at grade station alternative paired with rebuilding the NE 185th bridge
- Surface parking and parking structure options (360 to 500 stalls)
- Additional bus service
- Pedestrian and bike improvements

# What happens during an EIS?



Multiple Alternatives Evaluated

Public & Agency Review and Comment on Alternatives

Sound Transit
Board identifies
the Preferred
Alternative

ST Board selects the project to be built

# Topics covered in the EIS

- Acquisition, displacement, and relocations
- Land Use
- Economics
- Social impacts, community facilities, and neighborhoods
- Visual and aesthetic resources
- Air quality
- Noise and vibration
- Ecosystem resources (aquatic resources, vegetation and wildlife, and wetlands)

- Water resources
- Energy
- Hazardous Materials
- Electromagnetic fields
- Public Services
- Utilities
- Historic and archaeological resources
- Parkland and open space
- Cumulative Impacts
- Indirect Impacts

#### **EIS Schedule and Milestones**

Month/Year	Action
June 2013	DEIS issued to public for comment
July 2013	4 DEIS Public Hearings and Open Houses
Fall 2013	ST Board Identifies Preferred Alternative
2014	<ul> <li>Prepare and Issue Final EIS (responses to DEIS comments and analysis for Preferred Alt.)</li> </ul>
2014/15	<ul> <li>ST Board Selects Project to be Built</li> <li>FTA Issues Record of Decision (ROD)</li> </ul>

#### 2013 DEIS Public Outreach

Month	Activity
Early June	Potentially impacted property owner letters sent
June/July	Individual property owner meetings
Late July	DEIS open houses and public hearings (4)
	Shoreline, Seattle, Mountlake Terrace and Lynnwood locations
July/August	Community fairs and festivals
July/August	Community and business group DEIS briefings

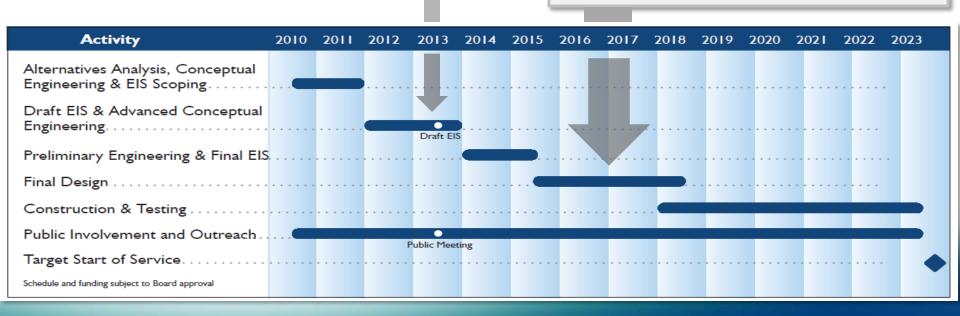
## **Property Acquisition Schedule**

• June 2013: Property Owner DEIS Notification

• June/July 2013: One on One Property Owner Meetings

#### 2016-2017:

- Necessary Property Acquisitions Confirmed
- Board Action, Notices to Property Owners
- Property Acquisition Process Begins



# Subarea Planning Process, Timeline, and Benefits

#### What is a Station Subarea Plan?

Painting a Picture of What's to Come

Creating Places for People



Strengthening Neighborhood Character and Identity

> Enhancing Connectivity and Access

# Design Dialogue Workshops



#### What is it?

A progressive series of workshop sessions designed to meaningfully engage a diversity of stakeholders in planning and design projects.







#### **Small Group Work Sessions:**

- Time to focus on specific interests
- Non-confrontational setting
- We're in listening mode
- Participants encouraged to pick up the markers!





#### **Success of Process:**

- Station Area Plans
- Community Design Projects
- Corridor Plans
- Comprehensive Plans









#### The Process Facilitates:

- Broad participation of a diversity of interests
- Building support for common ideas
- Responsiveness to input and suggestions
- Immediate understanding of desired outcomes
- Clear direction for plan development





#### **Urban Planning & Design Support:**

- In the room listening...drawing
- Graphics of concepts and ideas the community vision comes to life!









# Comments & Ideas Documented

- In written and graphic form—illustrations and mapped concepts and ideas
- Summary report immediately available
- Workshop participants and public invited to town hall to see results



#### **Successful Outcomes:**

"All of a sudden it became the obvious thing we couldn't see until now."

- Mayor Sam Skramstad

From the Glenwood Springs Confluence Transit Oriented Development Master Plan



# **Phasing and Community Vitality**

- Facilitate community consensus around key development opportunities
- Draw on regional and national research regarding TOD
- Focus on sites/development opportunities with strongest early market potential



**South Hayward BART, California** 



# **Neighborhood Scale**

- New urbanist affordable multifamily rental and for-sale single family homes on 7-acre infill site
- Combined affordable and market-rate housing with some retail and community service space





# **Neighborhood Infill**



**Northwest Portland Infill Development Project Illustration** 





**Appropriate Building Transitions for Logan Form-Based Code** 

# **Building Types and Densities**

High Rise	Mid Rise	Mid-Rise Podium Parking	Mid Rise Surface Parking	Duplex or Townhome
518 du/ac	113 du/ac	87 du/ac	31 du/ac	21 du/ac
12 FAR	5.5 FAR	2 FAR	0.6 FAR	0.6 FAR



# **Visualizing Scale and Transformation**





Beacon Hill Neighborhood TOD Alternatives







## **Visualizing Scale and Transformation**



**Overlake Village Station Area** 



**Neighborhood Transformations –Portland** 



# **Visualizing Qualities of Place**



**Beacon Hill Neighborhood Transit-Oriented Development Concepts (Central Link LRT)** 



# **Visualizing Qualities of Place**





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Farmer Arts District Pedestrian and Transit-Oriented Development, Tempe, Arizona



# **Catalyst Redevelopment Sites**

Center Commons TOD
Concept Plan. Portland LRT
Station



From Vision to Reality – Photograph of Built Results





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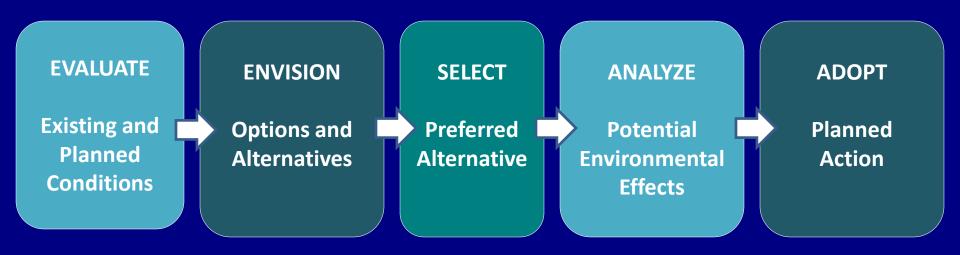
# **Timeline**



### Sound Transit's and Shoreline's Timelines

	2013	2014 – 2015	2015 - 2023	2023 and Beyond
Shoreline	• Spring 2013: Shoreline begins Station Area Planning	<ul> <li>Adoption of Subarea Plans for Station Areas</li> <li>Update of Land Use Map and Zoning</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Development of supportive plans and policies for Station Area Development</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Build out Station Areas</li></ul>
Sound Transit	<ul> <li>Summer 2013:         <ul> <li>Sound Transit DEIS and request for public comments</li> </ul> </li> <li>Fall 2013:         <ul> <li>Sound Transit Board identifies Preferred Alternative</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Final design and construction of light rail and stations</li> </ul>	Light Rail     Service

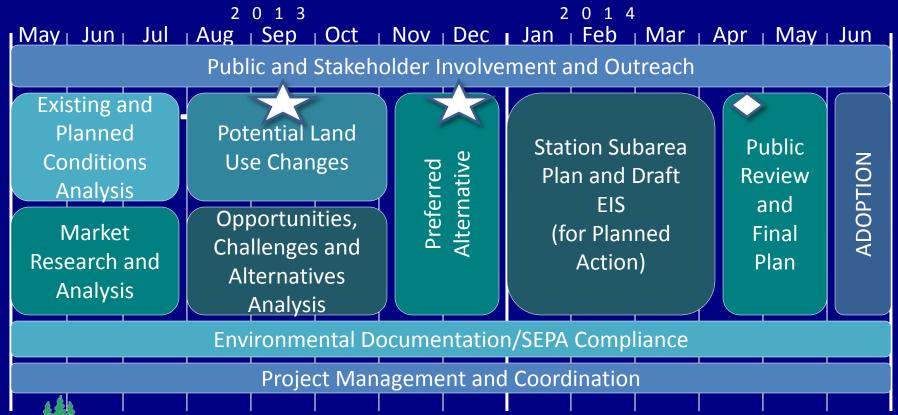
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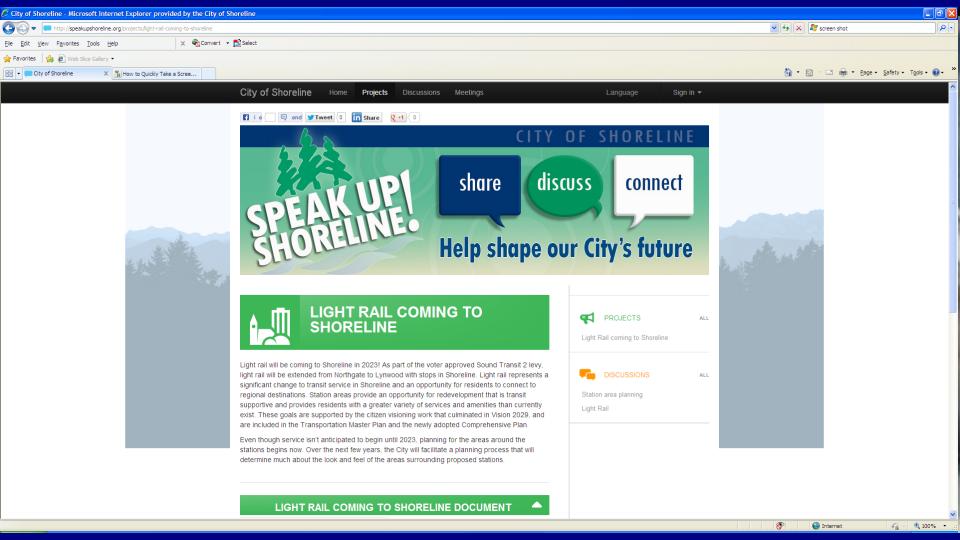




# **Constant Opportunities**

to be Involved





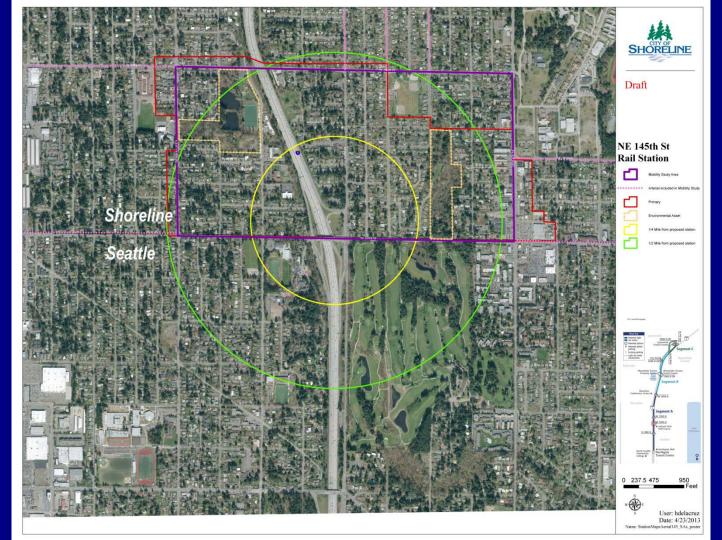
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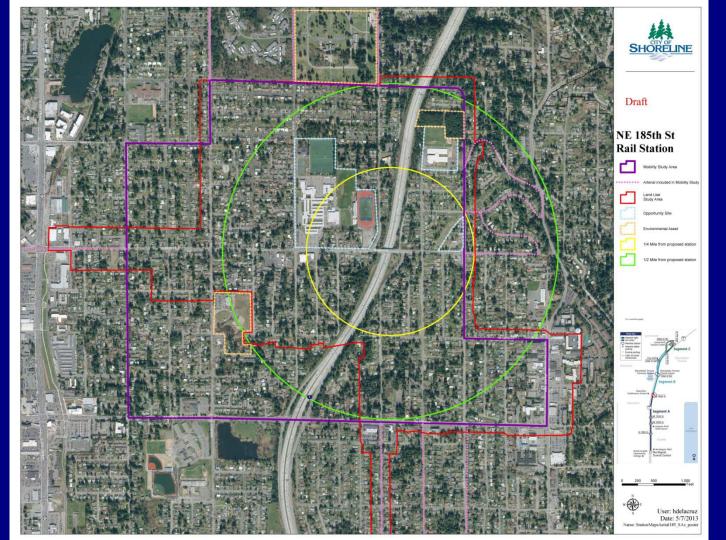


# **Study Area Boundaries**

# Study Area Boundary Criteria:

- Walk and bike travelsheds
- Topography
- Comprehensive Plan policy direction
- Existing conditions
- Jurisdictional
- Homeowner preference





# **Benefits**









#### **Planet**

## Region

### Community

Neighborhood

- Reducing carbon footprints and greenhouse gas emissions
- Mitigating climate change
- Jobs/housing balance
- Preserving quality of life tied to the area's natural resources
- Access and connectivity
- Livability and housing options
- More choices
- Complete streets/walkability
- Vitality and placemaking

# Questions, Answers, and Discussion

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# **Thank You!**

### **Light Rail Station Area Planning Meeting**









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